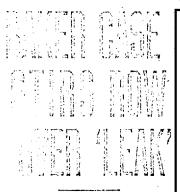
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Republicans Again Ask Inquiry On Memo About Reynolds

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Washington, Feb. 13 - Fron both the Schale and the House today came further demands for information on what Representative Gross (R., Iowa) termed "an outrageous effort to discredit and intimidate an important witness in the investigation of Robert G. Dober," former secretary to the Sensite major ey.

Cortor Swit Ch. Pan d Eke, inquiry to the De partment and the FBL

The whaess referred to is Do B. Reyer in a former major, it erce, now an insurance who in 1957 sold a large the assurance policy to Presiden Johnson when he was majority leader in the Senate.

Hi-Fi Set Is Gift

Last month Reynolds testified that at about the time he sold the policy he presented an ex pensive hi-fi set to Mr. Johnson and also bought time on the John son family's radio station in Aus tin, Texas.

fairs are under inquiry by the Senate Rules Committee.

Not long after the Reynolds tes Lininny, certain newspapers were tendered derogatory information purporting to be based on Reyn olds's personal callitary record presumably obtained from Ai Force files which are not acces adde to the public.

Authority Guestioned

information became public propertied that it had any part in the erty and by whose authority.

point came today in the Army, Navy, Air Force Journal Registry Intelligence and Registry Intelligence and Registry Intelligence and Registry Intelligence and Registry Intelligence Intelligence and Intelligence Int ister, lately a sharp critic of inconorandum and that Zockect practices at the Pentagon, in anthad not asked for any such rearticle by its assistant editor, port. Daniel S. Henkin. It charged that Today's blast in the Journal-Defense Department personnel's Register stirred up new inquiries breach of its own rules is "un- to Pentagon officials. At the Air dermining the security of confi- Force, which has consistently dedential military personnel rec-clined to state whether the men-

days after Reynolds's testimony, seen on this subject. a memorandum to Eugene M. Zuckert was reported this afterstated that:

"I feel you should be aware of some of the circumstances sur-rounding the military service of lie Affairs Office remains wary. former Major Don B. Reynoids. It apparently is conducting no inwho testified before the Senate vestigation into the charge that Rules Committee in the Bobby the sanctity of personnel records Baker case the day before yes has been violated, terday."

Record "Confidential"

ably came from the Air Force's the committee itself has been unmight discredit Reynolds, without confidential" record of its per-lable to get access to official data regard to whether it deal with sonnel.

Reynolds had left the Air or our han There was no such reserve in Force active service more than There was no such reserve in Committee.

ten years before, but the per the observations of Senator Scott Committee.

sonnel record remains on file or Representative Gross. In a "If the President disapproves there are a senator of the per the observations of the per the observations of the per the observations of Senator Scott Committee."

of long standing that lists items,, other than classified, that are to be protected from outside inspection, including "records and information which pertain to individuals, such as personal records, medical records and investigative reports.'

The memorandum to Zucker! Reynolds is a former associate later came to public attention of Baker, whose very tangled at through Drew Pearson, a newspaper columnist, who presented it as a "confidential note" to his numerous subscribers.

White House Denies Role

This epicode immediately pro- Inquiries immediately poured voked inquiries as to how such into the White House, which derty and by whose authority.

Suggestive information on this for several days declined to dis-

The article reports that two Zuckert nor his assistant could be

Zuckert, Secretary of the Air noon as finding such comfort as Force, purportedly from his as the dental clinic provides. Fridge sistant, Benjamin W. Fridge, was in his office but "busy" and silent.

No Inquiry Hinted

That these records are normally immune to search even by Gov-The memora dum then pre emment officials is indicated by scated information that presume the Senate Tokks County live, a ship came from the Air Force's member of which remarked that

Air of this nature.

shocking in its implications, is despicable act... He should already being investigated by have fired those responsible.

You." To Robert S. McNamara, have fired those responsible.

"I do not condone any of Reynolds a thing could happen. I am is whether he told the truth when deathly concerned that leaks of in-he testified under oath. I am con-

be used to destroy witnesses with a record of past misdeeds, rassing. The situation is particu-government, are to be discredited, larly serious when this informa-smeared and intimidated by or would appreciate it if you would try is in jeopardy." investigate this situation at once." Gross noted that a principal

Scott is a member of the Sen-Justice ate Rules Committee.

to be a conspiracy in the Execu-government attempt by govern-tive Branch of Government," said ment officials to discredit or intim-Gross's statement, "It becomes idate this government witness, clear that high officials of the and there should be none. The the order [for] all material that truth."

there - presumably covered by letter to J. Edgar Hoover, directof what has taken place...he there — presumably covered by store of the FBI, Scott said he should have taken immediate ac-a Defense Department directive for of the FBI, Scott said he should have taken immediate ac-

> doubly concerned that leaks of in- he testified under oath. I am conternal memoranda can apparently vinced that he did. If witnesses whose testimony becomes embar-who testify in behalf of honest tion was denied to proper officials with approval of high government of the United States Senate. Hofficials, then justice in this coun-

Department against James R. Hoffa is under "There has been what appears indictment but that "there is no